

**PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2014**

A meeting of the Employee Benefits Advisory Committee was held at 7:30 a.m., Monday, January 6, 2014 in the City Council Conference Room – 7th Floor/Mesa City Plaza Building, 20 E. Main St.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Cameli, Alex Finter, John Pombier, Amy Trethaway

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Dave Richins

OTHERS PRESENT: Gary Manning, Human Resources Director
Janice Ashley, Employee Benefits Administrator
Peggy Lynch, Assistant Employee Benefits Administrator
Bernice Mead, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 a.m.

Agenda Item #1: Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

John Pombier moved to adopt the meeting minutes from September 16, 2013. Mary Cameli seconded the motion and all were in favor. The vote was unanimous.

In order to discuss private medical information for one appeal, Alex Finter motioned to go into executive session. The motion was seconded by John Pombier and all were in favor. The Board went into executive session at 7:35 a.m.

Agenda Item #2: Appeal

Motion to end executive session and reconvene public meeting by Alex Finter and seconded by Mary Cameli. The public meeting reconvened at 8:33 a.m.

Take Action: Appeal #1 - It was moved by Mary Cameli and seconded by Amy Trethaway to provisionally allow requested services for the specific member, to a maximum coverage of \$4,000 during the next 3-month time frame, until further research can be done. The Board will defer any further decisions about ongoing coverage or continued denial of coverage until review of additional research, which is expected to be completed in the next 90-days. The vote was unanimous.

Agenda Item #3: Summary Review of COM Health Plan Benefit Appeals Log through 12/31/13

Janice Ashley presented the committee a copy of the Summary Review of the City of Mesa Health Plan Benefit Appeals Log for Level One appeals adjudicated by the Plan, for the one year time period ending 12/31/13.

The committee agreed that the Summary Review – Appeals Log can be presented quarterly at the closest available Committee meeting already scheduled for other business. If a regular business meeting is not otherwise scheduled the Board requested to receive a Summary Review approximately every 6 months.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 a.m.

Prepared by: Bernice Mead, Secretary to the Board

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